

## STATEWIDE PLANNING e-NEWS

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### **Statewide Planning's Committee Meetings**

State Planning Council January 28, 2015, 9:00 a.m. One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI Conference Room A

**Technical Committee - January 23, 2015, 9:00 a.m.**One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI Conference Room A

Transportation Advisory Committee January 22, 2015, 6:00 p.m. One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI Conference Room A http://www.planning.ri.gov/council/

### **Happy New Year 2015**

# Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) - Conservation Easements & FY 2015 Funding

Applicants are encouraged to apply for FY 2015 funding. The ACEP, created through the 2014 Farm Bill, funds easements for agricultural lands and wetlands. Approved agricultural easements would prevent productive working lands from being converted to nonagricultural uses and maximize protection of land devoted to food production. Wetland Reserve Easements would restore and enhance wetlands and improve habitat. Application materials are available online on the Rhode Island NRCS Web site

www.ri.nrcs.usda.gov under Programs-Easements. For questions contact Brunilda Velez at the Warwick Service Center by Email brunilda.velez@ri,usda.gov or phone (401) 822-8820.

#### **Using ArcGIS.com**

Web Maps and Geographic Data Thursday, January 8, 2015, 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM, Cost \$100.00

This is a half-day training program that will introduce you to ESRI's FREE online mapping application available at ArcGIS.com and give you the tools to access the volumes of data being served from RIGIS which are easily accessible in this interface.

- Explore ready to use map services from RIGIS and others (hundreds of maps!)
- Query existing data
- Build your own maps using readily available data from RIGIS and other sources
- Create your own data (import: .csv, .txt, addresses, .gpx, heads-up digitizing)

Share your maps via e-mail, Facebook, Twitter or embed the code into your own website

ArcGIS Viewer is an online service developed by ESRI® that allows users to upload, download, and create data. Users may choose to make their map data public or limit access by using groups.

Requirements: This course is intended for those interested in working with geographic data. Participants should be comfortable working in a windows environment. No prior GIS knowledge is necessary!

Register: http://www.edc.uri.edu/training/Arcgis\_online

## Introduction to GIS: January 13-15, 2015, 8:30 AM - 4 PM, Cost: \$750.00

This three-day hands-on computer course provides an introduction to the capabilities of GIS. Using ESRI's ArcGIS 10.2 ®, software, we teach the fundamentals of working with GIS data, how to query a GIS database, edit spatial and attribute data and how to present data using maps, reports, and graphs. We also work extensively with the Rhode Island Geographic Information System (RIGIS) database.

All participants receive hands-on software instruction, training materials with step-by-step exercises and training data. Upon successful completion of the course, participants receive a URI Certificate of Course Completion. Classes are taught at URI's Kingston campus.

Requirements: Participants should be comfortable working in a windows environment. Please visit ESRI's training website and try this free course on Getting Started with GIS (for ArcGIS 10) This will provide you with a comprehensive introduction to the topics that will be covered in the three-day course.

Register at: http://www.edc.uri.edu/training/intro-to-GIS